

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Minutes of the Annual Town Meeting</b> <b>November 19, 2016</b></p>
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Moderator Karen Ludington opened the Special Town Meeting on Saturday, November 19, at 9:00 am at the Ayer Shirley Middle School Auditorium, 1 Hospital Road.

**ARTICLE 1     SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR FY2017**

MOTION A: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town amend the FY 2017 Budget as approved under Article 5 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and appropriate \$17,250.00 from Free Cash to line 211 Police Department Expenses. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority.***

MOTION B: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town amend the FY 2017 Budget as approved under Article 5 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and appropriate \$1,630.00 from Free Cash to line 211 Police Department Wages Union. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

MOTION C: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town amend the FY2017 Budget approved under Article 5 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and appropriate \$4,400.00 from Free Cash to line 155 Computer Operations Expenses.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

MOTION D: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town amend the FY 2017 Budget approved under Article 5 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and appropriate \$12,000.00 from Free Cash to line 151 Legal Expenses. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

MOTION E: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town amend the FY 2017 Budget, as approved under Article 5 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and appropriate \$2,000.00 from Free Cash to line 122 Board of Selectmen Expenses. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

**ARTICLE 2     TRANSFER TO OPEB LIABILITY TRUST FUND**

Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of funding OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits). Bob Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

**ARTICLE 3     PRIOR YEAR BILLS IN FY 2016**

Kendra Dumont moved that the Town transfer from Free Cash, a sum of \$1,634.42 to be

expended by the Department indicated, in order to pay a bill of a prior Fiscal Year for the goods or services as described:

The Sentinel Enterprise - Invoice dated 07/01/16-07/31/16-**\$144.27**

Urban Green Technologies (UGT) - **\$1,470.17**

Quill Invoice dated 5/25/16-**\$19.98**

Robert Prescott seconded the motion. 9/10 majority required to approve the article.

***Hand Counted Vote: 86 Yes, 4 No. Passed by 95%***

#### Article 4 SPACO-Fiber Optic Cable Line to Middle School

Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$5,700.25 from Free Cash for the purchase of a fiber optic cable running to the Middle School and Police Station, including all incidental and related expenses. Robert Prescott seconded

***Hand Vote: Passed by Majority***

### **ARTICLE 5 SEWER DEPARTMENT RETAINED EARNINGS**

Kendra Dumont moved that the Town amend the FY 2017 Sewer Budget, as approved under Article 9 of the 2016 Annual Town Meeting, and appropriate \$87,500.00 from Retained Earnings to line Sewer Department Enterprise for the purpose of purchasing and installing two standby generators including all incidental and related expense. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by Majority***

### **ARTICLE 6 SEWER DEPARTMENT PRIOR YEAR BILLS IN FY2016**

Kendra Dumont moved that the Town approve Article 6 as printed in the warrant. Robert Prescott seconded.

Article 6 as printed in the warrant: to see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$13,250.00 from Sewer Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to pay Sewer Department Bills incurred in a prior fiscal year by transfer; or take any other action relative thereto.

- Weston & Sampson \$13,250.00 invoice dated 5/06/16.

A 9/10 vote was required for passage of the article.

***Hand Counted Vote: 107 Yes, 1 No. Passed by 9/10 majority (99.1%).***

### **ARTICLE 7: AMBULANCE DEPARTMENT BUDGET RETAINED EARNINGS**

Kendra Dumont moved that the town approve Article 7 as printed in the warrant. Robert Prescott seconded.

Article 7 as printed in the warrant: To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$26,000

from Ambulance Enterprise Fund Retained Earnings to the Per Diem line of the FY17 Ambulance Enterprise Fund budget; or take any other action relative thereto.

***Hand Vote: passed by majority vote in favor.***

#### ARTICLE 8 APPROPRIATE CAPITAL ITEMS FOR FY2017

MOTION A: Kendra Dumont moved that the town vote the appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$24,000 for the purpose of replacing the Center Town Hall roof, including all related and incidental expenses. Robert Prescott seconded.

After discussion, motion was made and seconded to postpone until the spring town Meeting.

***Hand Vote on motion to postpone: Passed by majority vote.***

MOTION B: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of replacing the air system in the Town Hall basement vault, including all related incidental expenses. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

MOTION C: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$48,140 for the purpose of reconfiguring the police station parking lot, including all related and incidental expenses. Robert Prescott seconded.

Enrico Cappucci moved to indefinitely postpone the article. Motion seconded.

***Hand Vote on motion to postpone: passed by majority.***

MOTION D: Kendra Dumont I moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$14,000 for the purpose of purchasing a Police Motorcycle, including all related and incidental expenses.

***Hand Vote: passed by majority***

MOTION E: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$600,000 for the purpose of purchasing a Fire Engine for the Fire Department, including all related and incidental expenses; and, to meet said appropriation, to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Board of Selectmen, to borrow said sum pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L Chapter 44 Section 7 or any other enabling authority, and to issue bonds and notes therefor. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: moderator declared passed by 2/3rd's majority.***

MOTION F: Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to appropriate from Free Cash the sum of \$27,000 for the purpose of replacing the Fire Station roof, including all related and incidental expenses. Robert Prescott seconded.

Dennis Levesque moved to indefinitely postpone the article. Motion seconded.

***Hand Vote on Motion to Postpone: Passed by majority.***

#### ARTICLE 9 MASTER PLAN IMPLEMENTATION ELEMENT

Kendra Dumont moved to transfer from Free Cash the sum of \$13,837 for the purpose of funding the “Implementation Element” of the Master Plan. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

#### ARTICLE 10 TRANSFER TO THE GENERAL STABILIZATION FUND

Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$203,596 from Free Cash to the General Stabilization Fund. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

#### ARTICLE 11 TRANSFER TO THE CAPITAL STABILIZATION FUND

Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$50,829 from Free Cash to the Capital Stabilization Fund. Robert Prescott seconded.

***Hand Vote: Passed by majority***

#### ARTICLE 12 RENEWABLE ENERGY BYLAW

Kendra Dumont moved that the Town vote to approve Article 12 as printed in the warrant. Robert Prescott seconded.

**The article was printed in the warrant is at the end of these minutes for reference**

A five-minute recess was taken from 11 to 11:05 so that Shirley Public Access could change the recording tape.

Jim Quinty made a motion to move the question. Motion seconded.

***Hand Vote: Moderator declared 2/3rds majority in favor of moving the question.***

Hand Counted Vote on the Main Motion: YES – 93, NO – 12. Passed by 80.8%

#### ARTICLE 13 ACCEPTANCE OF VILLAGE DRIVE

Kendra Dumont moved and Robert Prescott seconded to approve article 13 as printed in the warrant. Robert Prescott seconded.

The article was printed in the warrant as follows:

To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public way Village Drive as laid out by the Board of

Selectmen and shown on a plan entitled, "As-Built Plan of Village Drive in Shirley, MA" dated November 14, 2014 on file with the Town Clerk, and authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire, by gift, purchase, and/or eminent domain, the fee to and/or easements in such way as shown on the aforesaid plan for all purposes for which public ways are used in the Town of Shirley, any drainage, utility, access and/or other related easements; or take any other action relative thereto.

***Hand Vote: Passed by Majority***

Motion made and seconded to dissolve the meeting. Passed by majority vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy R. McDougall  
Shirley Town Clerk

Attachment: Renewable Energy Bylaw as printed in the Warrant and as passed in Article 12